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Mr. Ronald K. Peterson
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Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Ron:

We understood as a result of our 22 June 1978 meeting concerning Title IV of H.R. 12240 that the Department of State would provide us with additional language to include in Admiral Turner's letter, and if acceptable to us we would redo the letter and send it to you for final coordination. The Department had not done this, and we have therefore made the revisions in the letter and I am sending it to you for final coordination with State and Justice.

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Let us know as soon as possible if the letter is acceptable to everyone so we can forward it to the Congress.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Legislative Counsel

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It is my recommendation that in lieu of enactment of Title IV and its statutory reporting requirement, the Executive Branch consultation process be permitted to complete its work, after which, in a continuing effort to keep the oversight committees fully and currently informed, we will be glad to share with you our thinking. In my opinion, consideration of this issue is better left to the agenda of the SCC where all facets of the problem will be fully addressed. For this reason, I oppose retention of Title IV in the intelligence authorization legislation.

This letter reflects the views also of the Departments of State and Justice. The Office of Management and Budget has advised there is no objection to the submission of this report from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Yours sincerely,

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